

Wound Care Pathway – Acute Services (including CAU & JHRU)

Patient has a wound



Complete wound progress note
Document size/location/ tissue types/exudate/treatment plan
Medical illustration referral



Ward management (not for TVN)

Pressure Ulcers

Refer to pressure ulcer SOP and SOP flowcharts

Moisture Lesions

Refer to MASD pathway

Skin tear/simple trauma wound

Refer to simple wound treatment guide

Leg ulcer/lower leg wound

Refer to lower leg treatment guide

Tissue Viability referral

Patients with:

- Complex needs
- Extensive wounds
- Suspected malignancy
- Deteriorating or indolent wounds
- Category 4 pressure ulcers
- Negative Pressure Wound Therapy

Any patient admitted to the department/ward with any skin damage must be referred to the department/ ward Wound Care Link Practitioner for advice and support on ongoing management

If the patient is under the care of podiatry for wounds below ankle, a referral to the Tissue Viability Service if not required

Please be aware referrals will be redirected to the appropriate treatment guides if they do not meet the criteria as detailed above.